

HOUSE BILL 131  
By Buck

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 14, Part 2, relative to public defenders.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-14-202, is amended by deleting subsection (d) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(d) For each judicial district in which district public defenders are authorized, there shall be authorized the following number of assistant public defender positions:

Judicial <u>District</u>	Assistant District Public <u>Defender Positions</u>
1	7
2	7
3	7
4	6
5	3
6	18
7	3
8	4

9	4
10	5
11	12
12	4
13	5
14	3
15	5
16	5
17	5
18	5
19	8
21	5
22	6
23	4
24	4
25	7
26	6
27	3
28	3
29	3
31	1

SECTION 2. It is the legislative intent to provide additional assistant public defender positions in both the 20<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> judicial districts in a manner consistent with the most current case weighting study as promulgated by the comptroller of the treasury. Funding for these positions shall be specifically authorized by the general appropriations act.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2003, the public welfare requiring it.

